

South-Western City Schools
Minutes – Regular Meeting
September 23, 2024

The South-Western City School District Board of Education met in regular session on September 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Denise D'Angelo Steele
Julie Liskany
Kelli Martindale
Camille Peterson
Chris Boso

24-144 Ms. Martindale moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda for the September 23, 2024 regular meeting as presented.

Ms. Liskany seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Martindale, Aye; Ms. Liskany, Aye; Mrs. D'Angelo Steele, Aye;
Mrs. Peterson, Aye; Mr. Boso, Aye.

Motion Carried

24-145 Ms. Martindale moved that the Board of Education approve the meeting minutes for the September 9, 2024 meeting as attached.

Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Martindale, Aye; Mrs. Peterson, Aye; Mrs. D'Angelo Steele, Aye;
Ms. Liskany, Aye; Mr. Boso, Aye.

Motion Carried

[2024_09_09_Minutes.pdf \(193 KB\)](#)

PRESENTATIONS

1. "School Spotlight" - Hayes Intermediate School - Mr. Michael Nesler, Principal
 - a. Mr. Nesler provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding success at HIS to start the school year.
 - b. Ms. Liskany asked about academic growth and what differentiates HIS as a school.
 - c. Mr. Nesler responded that the partnership with families and the work that teachers are doing is the difference.
 - d. Ms. Liskany asked how the HIS house system works with students with special education needs.
 - e. Mr. Nesler responded that all of those students are included in the house system.
 - f. Mr. Boso thanked Ms. Liskany for the idea to include school spotlights at Board meetings.
 - g. Mr. Boso thanked Mr. Nesler for starting these spotlights off on a great start.

[Hayes Intermediate School Spotlight 09-23-2024.pdf \(2,655 KB\)](#)

2. Local Report Card & Career-Technical Education Report Card - Dr. Brian Bowser, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum
 - a. With: Ms. Christine Galvin, Director of Career-Technical Education
 - b. Dr. Bowser & Ms. Galvin provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Local Report Card and CTE Report Card
 - c. Ms. Martindale asked if the cell phone policy has positively influenced student behavior and our report card.
 - d. Dr. Bowser responded that he cannot make a prediction for future report cards, but anecdotally the feedback has been positive from students and teachers in regards to their learning.
 - e. Ms. Liskany asked about efforts to close the reading gap.

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- f. Dr. Bowser responded that staff are working very hard on implementing new science of reading materials and stated how new training will be fully implemented in professional learning offerings next fall.
- g. Mr. Boso stated that he has heard from staff and students that the new cell phone policy is a success.
- h. Mrs. Peterson stated that she heard the same from students at Westland High School during that feedback session and that student group was very impressive.
- i. Ms. Martindale thanked the presenters.

State Report Card Sept 2024 BOE 09-23-2024.pdf (1,961 KB)

3. Nursing Services Committee

- a. With: Ms. Paige Emmelhainz, Nurse; Ms. Kara Polichetti, Nurse; and Ms. Carrie Chandler, Health Aide
- b. Ms. Martindale gave a summary of why the committee was created.
- c. Ms. Emmelhainz, Ms. Polichetti, and Ms. Chandler provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Nursing Services Committee.
- d. Mrs. Peterson stated that she and Ms. Martindale have had a great experience working on the committee and have learned a lot.
- e. Mrs. Peterson stated her thanks to the committee.
- f. Mrs. Peterson showed the attendees how to access the nursing committee website.
- g. Mrs. D'Angelo Steele asked if the group has met with the Ohio Board of Nursing.
- h. Ms. Polichetti stated that meeting was deferred but she will reach out again.
- i. Mrs. Peterson stated that was not off the table.
- j. Mrs. Peterson stated that she and Ms. Martindale met with district leadership about looking into outside resources for guidance and partnerships.
- k. Mrs. Peterson stated that the committee votes on meeting minutes and agendas only at the meetings.
- l. Mr. Boso stated his thanks to the committee.

SWCSD Nursing Committee Presentation 09.23.24.pdf (1,339 KB)

24-146 Ms. Martindale moved that the Board of Education approve the Students/School/Community items as presented.

1. Jackson Middle School Students to Travel to Washington, D.C.

WHEREAS, Jackson Middle School 8th grade students have the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for May 6-9, 2025 and students will miss three days of school; and

WHEREAS, approximately 250 students will be accompanied by 25 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via charter bus and accommodations made at the Hilton Dulles Airport; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by students and parents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes Jackson Middle School students to travel to Washington, D.C.

2. Central Crossing High School Marching Band to Travel to Indianapolis, Indiana

WHEREAS, Central Crossing High School Marching Band students have the opportunity to perform at the Bands of America Grand National Championships to be held at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana; and

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WHEREAS, the trip is scheduled for November 15-16, 2024; and

WHEREAS, students will miss one day of classes; and

WHEREAS, 95 students will be accompanied by 11 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via charter bus and accommodations to be determined; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by students and parents and fundraising through the band boosters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes the Central Crossing High School Marching Band to travel to Indianapolis, Indiana.

3. Grove City High School NJROTC to Travel to San Diego, California

WHEREAS, Grove City High School NJROTC has the opportunity to travel to San Diego, CA for its annual NJROTC Military Orientation trip; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for April 3-6, 2025 and students will miss two days of school; and

WHEREAS, 25 cadets will be accompanied by 5 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via charter bus and airplane and accommodations made at the Homewood Suites by Hilton San Diego-Del Mar; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by students, fundraising and US Navy reimbursements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes Grove City High School NJROTC to travel to San Diego, California.

4. Grove City High School Show Choirs to Travel to Hurricane, West Virginia

WHEREAS, Grove City High School Show Choir students have the opportunity to travel to Hurricane, West Virginia to compete; and

WHEREAS, the trip is planned for February 1-2, 2025 and students will miss zero days of school; and

WHEREAS, approximately 120 students will be accompanied by 16 adult chaperones; and

WHEREAS, transportation will be via school bus and accommodations made in Hurricane, West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, trip expenses will be paid by boosters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South-Western City School District's Board of Education hereby authorizes Grove City High School Show Choir students to travel to Hurricane, West Virginia.

Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Martindale, Aye;	Mrs. Peterson, Aye;	Mrs. D'Angelo Steele, Aye;
Ms. Liskany, Aye;	Mr. Boso, Aye.	

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24-147 Mrs. Peterson moved that the Board of Education approve the Personnel items as presented.

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Mrs. Peterson promoted hiring efforts in the District and the bonus incentives available.

CERTIFICATED RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignations - Regular

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nelson, Kiarra L.	NMS/8 MA	9/27/24

2. Resignations - Supplemental

<u>FRANKLIN WOODS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
TBT Leader	Haghiri M.	9/5/24
<u>FINLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL</u>		
Student Council Advisor	Vujaklija, Hannah R.	9/3/24
<u>CENTRAL CROSSING HIGH SCHOOL</u>		
Department Designee - ESL	Bendure Jr., Philip R.	6/6/24

CERTIFICATED CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS

1. Request for Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Reason for Request</u>	<u>Effective Date of Leave Request</u>
Andrews, Abbey E.	BWES/2nd Grade	Family Responsibility	9/3/24 through 6/4/25
Bethel, Abigail M.	DWES/Gifted Interv Spec	Family Responsibility	9/16/24 through 6/4/25
Boyden, Shelby M.	DES/Intervention Spec	Family Responsibility	9/13/24 through 6/4/25
Foil, Kaitlyn M.	BCES/SP/HR	Family Responsibility	9/12/24 through 6/4/25

2. Jury Duty

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Date Jury Duty Commences</u>
Lepard, Stephanie E.	SWPSC/Case Manager	9/1/24
Mabry, Dianne L.	RAES/KDG	9/16/24
Stuckey, Lindsey R.	NMS/7 SC	10/8/24

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENTS

1. Supplemental Contract Recommendation for Extended Time

The following teacher has been nominated for a supplemental contract assignment for the 2024-2025 school year. In accordance with Section 3319.08 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary that the Board formally employ and grant a supplemental contract to this person, to be paid in accordance with the extended time and current adopted schedules.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Days Extended Time</u>
<u>WESTLAND HIGH SCHOOL</u>	
<u>Department Leader - Special Education - 50%</u>	
Durban, Zachary J.	4 days @ 50%

2. Supplemental Contract Recommendations for Extra Duty

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The following teachers have been nominated for supplemental contract assignments for the 2024-2025 school year. In accordance with Section 3319.08 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary that the Board formally employ and grant supplemental contracts to these persons, to be paid in accordance with the current adopted salary schedule for supplemental duties. The Board of Education's obligation for these supplemental (Extra Duty) contracts is contingent upon the employee fulfilling the required certifications in the Board policy and State Board of Education Rules 3301-27-01 and 3301-27-02 and maintaining current certification in those areas.

[Extracurricular Contract Recommendations for Extra Duty 9.23.24.pdf \(138 KB\)](#)

3. Volunteer Coaches

It is recommended that the following volunteer coaches be approved as indicated in accordance with the Board's volunteer policy for the 2024-2025 school year.

Pleasant View Middle School

Crawford, Makiah - Football

Westland High School

Dell, Anthony P. - Football

4. Substitute Teachers

In accordance with provisions of Section 3319.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, the following persons are recommended as substitute teachers for the 2024-2025 school year, in accordance with the salary schedule for substitutes adopted by the South-Western City Schools Board of Education. This employment is contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from BCII which complies with the provision of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39(B)(3). *Denotes SWCS retiree

Name

Anderson, Sela M.

Barrett, Christopher W.

Brunello, Barbara E.

Dailey, Veronica M

Eddy, Morgan M.

Eisnaugle IV, Preston L.

Gilbert, Jonah E.

Goebbel, John K.

Gwinn, Debra L

Hirsi, Salma I.

Johnson, Samuel R.

Kennedy, Sally K.

Kidwell, Cheyenne K.

Livingston, Tomica C.

McKay, Deborah H.

Mohamed, Farhiya M.

O'Reilly, Kaylee M.

Paulin, Carla K.*

Peterson, Jeremiah A.

Ragusa, Nicole M.*

Reedus, Sienna G.

Snider, Troy A.

Sullivan, Kyra J.

Susi, Josephine M.

Taylor, Jenna M.

Varsanyi, Anne M.*

Willcoxson, Melissa S.

5. Substitute Pool

The following persons are nominated for the substitute pool at a rate of \$145 per day effective as indicated. This employment is contingent upon receipt by the Board of a report from BCII which complies with the provisions of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39 (B)(3).

Substitute:

Alexander, Christopher L.

Beasley, Kelsi P.

Grundy IV, John R.

Effective Date:

8/21/24

9/10/24

9/3/24

CLASSIFIED RESIGNATIONS

1. Resignations - Regular

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Mireb, Ragad M.	HES/Health Aide	9/5/24	Other

2. Resignations - Substitutes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Substitute Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Johnson, Dwight D.	Custodian	9/10/24

CLASSIFIED CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS

1. Change of Assignment/Hours/Days

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Old Assignment/ Hours/Days/Location</u>	<u>New Assignment Hours/Days/Location</u>
Taylor, Samantha J.	9/4/24	Cook/3.0/DWES	Cook/6.0/DWES
Weber, Maria C.	9/4/24	Cook/3.0/HCIS	Cook/4.0/HCIS

2. Request for Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective Date of Leave</u>
Lester, James E.	BCES/Custodian	Medical	9/11/24 through 6/30/25

3. Jury Duty

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location/Position</u>	<u>Date Jury Duty Commences</u>
McLoughlin, Kristen D.	WFES/Secy II	

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENTS

1. Classified Substitutes

It is recommended that the following persons be approved for "on call" work on an hourly basis in the positions indicated, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. They will be paid the hourly rate indicated, time sheets to be submitted. This employment is contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from BCI, which complies with the provisions of ORC 3319.31 and 3319.39(B)(3). It is understood that all requirements for operation of a school bus in the State of Ohio must be met before substitute bus drivers can be called to work.

Substitute Bus Driver - \$19.32 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$24.18 per hour)

Hossfeld, Gerald R.

Substitute Cooks - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$18.11 per hour)

Adams, Kenricka R*

Breniser, Nancy J.*

Carroll, Pamela M

Dinneen, Kathryn*

Hibbler, Elaine*

Substitute Custodian - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$20.58 per hour)

Dobbs, Cathy C.*

Spada, Genesis B.

Stern, Kaden J.

Walters, Gregory D.

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Wiggins, Justin T.

Substitute Clerical - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$20.16 per hour)

Ford, Jerri L.

Substitute SED, DH, Bus Aide - \$15.84 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$19.49 per hour)

Bernholtz, Catherine L.*

Dixon, Stephanie L.

Ferguson, Earl L.

Lallathin, Megan K.

Krieger, Brittany M.

Substitute Aide - \$14.00 per hour (*SWCS Retiree - \$19.49 per hour)

Bernholtz, Catherine L*

Ferguson, Earl L.

Lallathin, Megan K.

Krieger, Brittany M.

Mrs. D'Angelo Steele asked for the definition of supplemental assignments.

Mr. Boso and Mrs. Peterson defined the term as contracts outside of regular duties such as for club advisors and coaching.

Ms. Martindale seconded the motion.

Mrs. Peterson stated that she would be abstaining on all items tonight because she is related to someone in the personnel action item.

Roll Call:

Mrs. Peterson, Abstain on all items;

Ms. Martindale, Aye;

Mrs. D'Angelo Steele, Aye;

Ms. Liskany, Aye;

Mr. Boso, Aye.

Motion Carried

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Board Items

- a. There were no Board items for discussion.

24-148 Mr. Boso moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Ms. Liskany seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ms. Liskany, Aye;

Mrs. D'Angelo Steele, Aye;

Ms. Martindale, Aye;

Mrs. Peterson, Aye,

Mr. Boso, Aye.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Chris Boso
President

Hugh W. Garside, Jr.
Treasurer